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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize Riverton Village
4 President Joe Rusciolelli on his retirement; and

5 WHEREAS, Joe Rusciolelli was born October 22, 1923 and has
6 been a lifelong resident of the Village of Riverton, and
7 throughout his life has been dedicated to serving the citizens
8 of the Village; and

9 WHEREAS, Joe Rusciolelli was first elected Village Trustee
10 in April 1975; he was appointed to fill the vacancy of the
11 Village President in September 1978; he successfully ran for
12 Village President in April 1979 to fill the remainder of the
13 term; he was re-elected in 1981, 1985, and 1989; he was
14 re-elected to office in April of 1997 and re-elected in 2001
15 and 2005; he served as Village President for 26 of the last 30
16 years; and

17 WHEREAS, During his many years of service and tenure as
18 Village Trustee and Village President, Joe Rusciolelli
19 continually met with constituents and business owners to
20 discuss the many issues and concerns in the Village; he met
21 regularly with township, county, State, and federal
22 representatives to discuss issues and to seek grants and

1 assistance that further supported the Village; and as a result
2 of all his efforts, the Village has prospered and grown; and

3 WHEREAS, Through his actions and service, the Village of
4 Riverton has expanded services at Wheeland Park, upgraded the
5 Veterans Memorial in Veterans Park, created a new park at Field
6 of Dreams with a new concession pavilion to be constructed,
7 built a new Village Hall complex, including the utility billing
8 office, the Police Station, the Library, and the community
9 room, and improved and expanded sewer service by adding more
10 sewer lines within the Village; in addition, a new sewer lagoon
11 is under construction; and

12 WHEREAS, He helped to promote and pass the referendum to
13 establish the Riverton Library District, upgraded the water
14 service to include installation of new water towers, made
15 upgrades to the water purification plant and installation of
16 new water supply lines and new wells, continually upgraded and
17 improved streets with normal maintenance and overlay projects,
18 supported Village festivals at Riverfest and the Riverton
19 Athletic Club, and implemented a city-wide recycling program;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, He has decided not to run for another term as
22 Village President; his retirement party is May 3, 2009; his
23 last day in office will be at the Village Board Meeting on May

1 4, 2009, after which he will spend more time with his wife Mary
2 and his other family members; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
5 congratulate Joe Rusciolelli on his retirement and commend him
6 for his hard work and dedication to the Village of Riverton,
7 and wish him the best in all his future endeavors; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Riverton Village President Joe Rusciolelli as a
11 symbol of our respect and admiration.